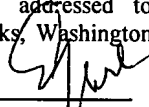


**PATENT APPLICATION**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and before examination, kindly amend the  
above captioned application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 9, line 13, change "Fig. 6 shows" to -- Figs. 6a-6c show --.

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 10, line 2, change "any one of the preceding claims" to -- claim 1 --.

Claim 11, line 2, change "any one of claims 1 to 9" to -- claim 1 --.

Claim 18, line 2, change "any one of claims 15 to 17" to -- claim 15 --.

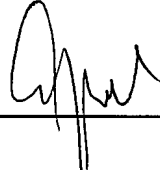
**REMARKS**

Multiple dependent claims have been eliminated. The reference to Figs. 6a-6c has been clarified.

Wherefore, an early action on the merits is respectfully submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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